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April 5, 2014 – UPDATE – Suspect in-custody

Detectives Investigating Stabbing at Rimrock Tavern

Yesterday, April 4, 2014, detectives arrested a suspect in this case and are expected to announce details early next week.

Issued April 4, 2014 - PRELIMINARY INFORMATION - This morning, April 4, 2014, at approximately 1:45 AM, YCSO deputies were dispatched to the McGuireville Tavern in the 2100 block of Beaver Creek Road, Rimrock, regarding a person stabbed. Upon arrival, deputies found a 38-year-old Cottonwood man seated on a bench inside the tavern bleeding from his chest and one of his knees. The man was able to tell deputies he had been attacked and stabbed by an unknown man and claimed it was without provocation. Deputies rendered first aid pending arrival of medical personnel. The victim was eventually transported to the Verde Valley Medical Center and then airlifted to Flagstaff Medical Center.

Deputies interviewed several witnesses and developed information identifying a suspect who had already fled the location. Witnesses saw the suspect in possession of a knife during the fight. Deputies searched the area but could not immediately locate the suspect.

YCSO detectives were called to the scene and continued the investigation and search for the suspect. Detectives have indicated an arrest is likely today and will release further details when available.

The victim remains at Flagstaff Medical Center in stable condition with surgery under consideration.

Citizens can contact the Yavapai County Sheriff's Office with information or questions at 928-771-3260 or the YCSO website: www.ycsoaz.gov